



WESTERN BORDER INTEROPERABILITY WORKING GROUP (WBIWG) MEETING

DAY ONE AGENDA

Thursday, Nov. 14, 2013 - 8:00 am to 4:30 pm

Hampton Inn, 1040 Hwy 2 West, Kalispell, Montana - 406-755-7900

8:00 am	<input type="checkbox"/> Registration and Coffee	
8:15 am	<input type="checkbox"/> Welcome / Introductions <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Introduce Speakers and Attendees • Review Agenda and Facilities 	Scott Bradford, Communications Manager Public Safety Communications Bureau (PSCB) State Information Technology Services Div. Dept. of Administration, State of Montana
8:30 am	<input type="checkbox"/> Montana Statewide System Overview	Scott Bradford, PSCB Communications Manager State of Montana
9:00 am	<input type="checkbox"/> Alberta First Responder Radio Communications System (AFRRCS)	Curtis Brochu, Director of Transformation Alberta First Responder Radio Communications System, Justice and Solicitor General
9:30 am - 9:45 am	<input type="checkbox"/> BREAK	
9:45 am	<input type="checkbox"/> Saskatchewan Interoperability	Howard Georgeson, Operations Manager Provincial Public Telecommunication Network Saskatchewan
10:15 am	<input type="checkbox"/> US Customs & Border Protection Overview	Christopher Richards, Chief Patrol Agent Havre Sector, US Customs & Border Protection
11:15 am	<input type="checkbox"/> US Cross-Border Communications National Initiatives	Dan Hawkins, Region VIII Coordinator U.S. Department of Homeland Security Office of Emergency Communications
11:45 am	<input type="checkbox"/> LUNCH	
12:45 pm	<input type="checkbox"/> North Dakota Interoperability	Michael Lynk, North Dakota State Radio Director
1:15 pm	<input type="checkbox"/> Panel Discussion: US Cross-Border Issues <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Border Interoperability Demonstration Project (BIDP) Grant Update • VLAW 31 BLUE Channel SOPs • "Boots on the Ground" Radio Interoperability 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Jack Spillman, Public Safety Communications Flathead County Office of Emergency Services • Scott Bradford, Communications Technology Manager; Public Safety Communications Bureau • Sheriff Don Brostrom, Hill County
2:30 pm - 2:45 pm	<input type="checkbox"/> BREAK	
2:45 pm	<input type="checkbox"/> Panel Discussion: Canadian Cross-Border Issues <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • VLAW 31 BLUE Channel • Challenges on the North Side of the Border • Canada-U.S. Enhanced Resiliency Experiment (CAUSE II) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Curtis Brochu, Director of Transformation Alberta First Responder Radio Comm. • Howard Georgeson, Operations Manager Provincial Public Telecommunication Network, Saskatchewan • Jack Pagotto, Head, Multi-Agency Crisis Management, Canada Centre for Security Science
4:00 pm	<input type="checkbox"/> BIDP Grant Cross-Border Functional Exercise	John Persano, Office of Emergency Communications, BIDP Technical Assistance Program
4:30 pm	<input type="checkbox"/> Adjournment	
5:00 pm	<input type="checkbox"/> Tour of the Flathead County Emergency Operations Center (Optional)	Jack Spillman, Public Safety Communications Flathead County Office of Emergency Services
Dinner on Your Own		



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Fri., Nov. 15, 2013 - 8:00 am to Noon

8:00 am	<input type="checkbox"/> Morning Announcements/Logistics	E. Wing Spooner, Special Projects Coordinator, PSCB - State of Montana
8:15 am	<input type="checkbox"/> Roundtable Small Group Break-Out First Session <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cross-Border Coordination • Spectrum Issues • Technology & Standards 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • E. Wing Spooner, Special Projects Coordinator, Public Safety Communications Bureau, State Information Technology Services Div. Dept. of Administration, State of Montana • Scott Bradford, Communications Technology Manager; PSCB, State of Montana • Doug Harder, BIDP Technical Assistance Lead, Office of Emergency Communications, Department of Homeland Security
9:30 am - 9:45 am	<input type="checkbox"/> BREAK	
9:45 am	<input type="checkbox"/> Roundtable Reports	
10:00 am	<input type="checkbox"/> Roundtable Small Group Break-Out Second Session <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • VLAW31 SOP • BIDP Grant Functional Exercise • Education and Outreach 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Scott Bradford, Communications Technology Manager; PSCB, State of Montana • Doug Harder, BIDP Technical Assistance Lead, Office of Emergency Communications, Department of Homeland Security • E. Wing Spooner, Special Projects Coordinator, PSCB, State of Montana
11:15 am	<input type="checkbox"/> Roundtable Reports/Take-Aways/Next Steps	
12:00 pm	<input type="checkbox"/> Closing Remarks/Adjournment	E. Wing Spooner, Special Projects Coordinator, PSCB - State of Montana
<i>Lunch on Your Own</i>		

Wishing you Safe Travels